

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 17 July 1957	2. LOCATION Sarasota, Florida	12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 2400 hrs EST GMT 18/0500Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Housewife	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 1 to 2 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE W to E to W circled
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A balloon shaped silver object about the size of a 100 ft balloon was sighted at tree top level & disappeared/ above this same level.		11. COMMENTS U.S. WX service states WX balloons launched fm Tampa, Fla.

18 July 1957

12:00 PM
2400 EST

19 JUL 57 23 502
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Witness

WPH 5WPC 199 VYC 181 VDD 127 CBA 045

PP RJEDWP RJEHQ RJEPNB

DE RJESKB 3D

P 192030Z

FM COMDR 60TH ACWRON MACDILL AFB FLA

TO RJESKB/COMDR 35TH ADIV DEF DOBBINS AFB GA

RJEDWP/COMDR AIR TECH INT CNTR WRGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

RJEHQ/DIR OF INT HQ USAF WASH DC

INFO RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB NY

BT

/UNCLASSIFIED/OPS 0395 PD ATTN: EADF CIO PD

1. LOOKED LIKE A GOOD SIZED BALLOON SILVER IN COLOR AND SPINNING

LIKE A TOP

A. BALLOON SHAPE

B. ABOUT THE SIZE OF A 100 FOOT BALLOON

C. SILVER

D. ONE

E. NONE

F. NONE

G. NONE

Looked like a balloon
Shaped like a balloon
Size of a balloon

1
2 } 4E4
3 }
4 4X2Q

4E4

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H. THE LADY HEARD THREE SHOTS AND GOT UP AND WENT TO FRONT OF HOUSE THEN HEARD ONE MORE SHOT FROM BACK OF HOUSE WHERE SHE LOOKED OUT BACK AND SHE SAW OBJECT

Probably
Concordance
balloon
deceived
same and
as type can
believed.
(balloons just
before)

I. NONE

2. LOOKED LIKE THE OBJECT CIRCLED AND THEN WENT FROM WEST TO EAST AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED

A. WHAT SOUNDED LIKE SHOTS

B. TREE TOP LEVEL

C. LITTLE ABOVE TREE TOP LEVEL

D. MADE A CIRCLE AND RETURNED APPROXIMATELY 300 YARDS FROM HOUSE

E. WENT OUT OF SIGHT

F. BETWEEN ONE AND TWO MINUTES

3. VISUAL

A. GROUND VISUAL

B. NONE

C. N/A

4. APPROXIMATELY 1200 O'CLOCK MIDNIGHT 17 JULY OR 0100 18 JULY 57

A. 0300-0600Z 18 JULY 57

B. NIGHT

5. TWO MILES SOUTH OF SARASOTA CITY LINE

U.S. Weather Sv. states wk. balloons
launched from Tampa at this time

Note Tampa
is North of Sarasota
1 - M.S. Hill
and
2 - Eglin
located - area

C. N/A

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5. TWO MILES SOUTH OF SARASOTA CITY LINE

Launched from Cape 7-17-57

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1 - M-5 Ball
and
2 - Epsilon
located in area

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6.

A. MRS.

SARASOTA FLORIDA HOUSEWIFE

B. N/A

7.

A. GOOD

B. 220-10 240-10 210-15 240-20 340-05 040-15 UNKNOWN

C. WX AT MACDILL 0600Z 25 SCATTERED HI THIN OVERCAST VISIBILITY

10 MILES

D. GOOD

E. UNKNOWN

F. SOUTHERN QUADRANT

G. NONE

H. REPORT OVER TWELVE HOURS OLD

I. UNKNOWN

11. OPERATIONS OFFICER, PROJECT MOBY DICK WEATHER BALLOON

12. NONE

BT

19/2039Z JUL RJESKB

Nov U.S. Weather Balloon
Schedules show Launchings
for 0000 Zone Time.
(~~0000-0600~~)

Close (w/ balloon)

Balloon
from Tampa
near 4600